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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004,  
finally rejecting claims 1-10, 12-15 and 36-41, please amend the  
above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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